REMARKS

The specification is amended above to insert a reference to related cases and to better format language for accepted US Patent practice.

Claims 4, 13 and 15 have been amended to remove multi-dependency and New Claims 43-49 added directed to the subject matter of the amended claims.

No amendment of inventorship is necessitated by these amendments.

Early allowance of the claims is requested. Should the Examiner believe that a conference with applicants' attorney would advance prosecution of this application, he is respectfully invited to call applicants' attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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